

**THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 29, 2022, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT, DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT AND, CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER SHORTLY AFTER 11:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.**

**LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT THE JUNE 29, 2022 REGULAR SESSION WAS VIDEO RECORDED AND IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME. IN ADDITION, THE REGULAR SESSION IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING THROUGH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEBSITE AT <https://www.youtube.com/user/clermontcounty/playlists>**

**IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran,

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of **06/27/2022**.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER BATCHLER STATED THAT THE BOARD HAD REACHED THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION OF THE AGENDA. SHE INQUIRED IF THERE WAS ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Chris Hicks, 444 Woodwick Court, Cincinnati, Ohio 45255, requested to address the Board of County Commissioners in Regular Session this date. Mr. Hicks discussed the New Richmond roundabout project and shared that some citizens would like to have an advisory vote which is not stipulated in the Ohio Revised Code, but is upheld by the Supreme Court when a municipality wants to have an advisory vote unless their charter prohibits it. Mr. Hicks shared that a gentleman approached him about it and he advised him to reach out to Commissioner Painter for help and upon presenting the Board with two draft letters he was immediately threatened with legal action by Commissioner Painter. Mr. Hicks asked the Board to reconsider and help the community with an advisory vote. Mr. Hicks discussed the Baby Box project and explained there was no permit that involved installing an electrical appliance in a wall, no inspections, the legally required log in for the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative Code was not taking place, legally required staffing for the Ohio Administrative Code was not taking place, and to this day the legally required form JFS1001672 and JFS808099 are not being included in the materials within the baby box. Mr. Hicks shared that a permit was finally filed and described the permit as exceptionally deceptive and misleading because it says nothing about electrical requirements or alarm requirements when the actual book on the appliance has the electrical schematics on it for how it is supposed to be wired up to electricity. Mr. Hicks stated that the Board oversees the Building Department and he is worried this has become very politicized with a rushed photo op and a complete lack of due diligence that has taken place at that box. Mr. Hicks discussed the unfortunate situation that has taken place at Clermont Senior Services in regards to Greg Carson. Mr. Hicks shared that he has requested from the Board, the Prosecutor's Office and Senior Services the "supposed forensic audit" that was done. Mr. Hicks explained the timetable of events as a mystery and hoped the Board would be a light and get that information out. Mr. Hicks stated that he has no idea why the investigation record is being withheld and explained the public deserves to know, especially when there is a strong motivation of people at Senior Services that downplay what happened. Mr. Hicks stated there is absolutely no reason the report is being withheld other than politics and thanked the Board for allowing him the time to speak. Commissioner Painter asked which particular report he is looking for and Mr. Hicks

explained that Senior Services indicated that a forensics accountant was hired and a report was created. An email was sent by Cindy Gramke to Mr. Hicks stating that she had met with the Board and the Prosecutor’s Office and gave both of them a copy of the report. Commissioner Corcoran asked Mr. Bickford to look into it and see if there were any reports that can be obtained. Commissioner Painter clarified that the only thing given to the Commissioners was a notification that it had been looked into. The Board thanked Mr. Hicks for his comments. (17-0628-003)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER BATCHLER STATED THAT A CONSENT AGENDA HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND REQUESTED WHETHER ANY BOARD MEMBER WANTED ANY ITEMS REMOVED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION AND UPON HEARING NONE:

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendations:

- 1. IN RE:    DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (ODJFS) TITLE IV-E CHILD PLACEMENT AGREEMENT WITH OHIOMHAS- CINCINNATI CHILDREN’S COLLEGE HILL CAMPUS, AKA CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES FOR SAME...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Susan Walther, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, to execute an **Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Title IV-E Child Placement Agreement** by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and **OhioMHAS - Cincinnati Children’s College Hill Campus, aka Children’s Hospital Medical Center**, 3333 Burnet Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45229, operating a Residential Care facility at 5642 Hamilton Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45224, **for the provision of residential treatment services** for children referred by the Department of Job and Family Services and/or Clermont County Juvenile Court, at the rate of \$468.46 per day, effective 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2023, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, **and contingent upon the release and receipt of a current Ohio Bureau of Workers’ Compensation, Certificate of Employer’s Right to Pay Compensation Directly, a current Certificate of Liability Insurance, as well as, the required Purchase Order in concert with Requisition Number 00002943-00 dated 04/25/2022 relative thereto.**

- 2. IN RE:    BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBERS 068-22 THROUGH 092-22/RESOLUTIONS ESTABLISHING ANNUAL MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 6137.03 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE FOR VARIOUS SUBDIVISION PUBLIC WATERCOURSES SITUATED WITHIN CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO...ADOPTED**

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, to adopt **Resolution Numbers 068-22 through 092-22** resolving to establish the Annual Maintenance Assessments for the following Subdivisions located in various Townships within Clermont County, Ohio, in and as it relates to the public watercourses therefore, in the amounts outlined below, pursuant to and in compliance with Chapter 6137 of the Ohio Revised Code:

Subdivision	Township	Amount
Whitmore Woods Subdivision/Shayler Crossing First Addition Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 068-22</b> DC# 97-0611-009	Union	\$2,600.00
Buxton Meadows Subdivision Block I	Batavia	\$ 540.00

<b>Resolution Number 069-22</b> DC# 97-0611-010		
Summit Crossing Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 070-22</b> DC# 97-0611-011	Batavia	\$ 840.00
Babson Park Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 071-22</b> DC# 97-0611-012	Union	\$1,780.00
Edinburgh Place Subdivision Section D <b>Resolution Number 072-22</b> DC# 97-0611-013	Union	\$1,300.00
Rose Hill Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 073-22</b> DC# 97-0611-014	Union	\$ 580.00
Turnberry Subdivision Section A, Blocks Two & Three <b>Resolution Number 074-22</b> DC# 97-0611-015	Pierce	\$ 660.00
Rivendell Estates Subdivision Section IV <b>Resolution Number 075-22</b> DC# 97-0612-001	Pierce	\$ 460.00
Summerfield Subdivision Section Two <b>Resolution Number 076-22</b> DC# 97-0612-002	Miami	\$ 680.00
Chadwick Farm Subdivision Section 2 <b>Resolution Number 077-22</b> DC# 97-0612-003	Miami	\$ 540.00
Pleasant Acres Subdivision Section IV <b>Resolution Number 078-22</b> DC# 97-0612-004	Batavia	\$ 820.00
McCormick Place Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 079-22</b> DC# 97-0612-005	Union	\$ 500.00
The Reserve at the Oasis Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 080-22</b> DC# 97-0612-006	Miami	\$ 940.00
Brookeside Estates Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 081-22</b> DC# 97-0612-007	Batavia	\$ 540.00
Hopper Estates Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 082-22</b> DC# 97-0612-008	Pierce	\$ 600.00
Heritage Grove Subdivision Section Four <b>Resolution Number 083-22</b> DC# 97-0610-001	Union	\$ 780.00
Pleasant View Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 084-22</b> DC# 98-0213-001	Batavia	\$1,060.00
Hunter’s Ridge Farms Subdivision/Hawthorne Meadows Subdivision Section One and Section Three <b>Resolution Number 085-22</b> DC# 98-0409-001	Miami	\$2,060.00
Deerhaven Subdivision Block A/Section 6 <b>Resolution Number 086-22</b> DC# 99-0514-001	Miami	\$ 820.00
Forest Knoll Subdivision Section IV/Block C <b>Resolution Number 087-22</b> DC# 99-1019-001	Miami	\$ 460.00
Union Station Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 088-22</b> DC# 00-0822-011	Union	\$ 660.00
Estates at Stone Oak Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 089-22</b> DC# 01-0327-002	Union	\$ 740.00
Pine Creek Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 090-22</b>	Miami	\$ 380.00

DC# 02-0923-004		
Deerfield Pointe Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 091-22</b> DC# 03-0605-002	Miami	\$1,160.00
Harrison Woods Subdivision <b>Resolution Number 092-22</b> DC# 13-0530-003	Union	\$ 580.00

**3. IN RE:    BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY ACTIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022...RATIFIED**

Recommendation of Mary K. Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to resolve to approve and authorize financial/budgetary actions pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.40 as they relate to changes in the Annual Appropriation (**Resolution Number 187-21**) for Calendar Year 2022, including legal level of control, and/or interfund transactions pursuant to Sections 5705.13 through 5705.14 of the Ohio Revised Code as outlined in the following table(s) and to authorize Linda L. Fraley, County Auditor, to properly record same:

**BUDGET TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022**

FUND	FROM: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
GENERAL FUND	Building Inspection Division REGULAR SALARY 1000 - 04 - 01 - 122000 - 511200 -	Building Inspection Division OVERTIME 1000 - 04 - 01 - 122000 - 512100 -	\$ 19,000.00

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes;    Commissioner Painter, Yes;    Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**NON-CONSENT AGENDA**

**4. IN RE:    BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 093-22/PAYMENT OF BILLS...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation that the Board of County Commissioners adopt **Resolution Number 093-22** resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$2,261,697.46** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **June 29, 2022**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **06/27/2022**, and further authorizing the County Auditor to issue warrants for same pursuant to Section 319.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes;    Commissioner Corcoran, Yes;    Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**5. IN RE:    COUNTY ENGINEER...ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NUMBER LS-20-20 WITH JTM SMITH CONSTRUCTION, INC., RELATIVE TO THE 2020 LANDSLIDES PHASE 2 PROJECT LOCATED IN VARIOUS TOWNSHIPS, AS COMPLETE, AND EXECUTION OF PAYMENT NUMBER 8, FINAL, FOR THE RELEASE OF RETAINAGE RELATIVE THERETO...20-1026-002...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to accept the Contract by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and JTM Smith Construction, Inc., P.O. Box 223, Fayetteville, Ohio 45118, relative to the 2020 Landslides Phase 2 Project located in Various Townships, as complete, and to execute payment Number 8, Final, which represents the release of retainage from Park National Bank in the amount of \$15,986.81 plus accrued interest earned thereon relative thereto.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes;   Commissioner Painter, Yes;   Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**6. IN RE:     COUNTY ENGINEER...PERMANENT EASEMENTS HERETOFORE GRANTED AND CONVEYED TO THE COUNTY OF CLERMONT, OHIO FOR PROJECT NUMBER PI-17-17 RELATIVE TO THE NORDYKE ROAD BRIDGE, C96-0.38 LOCATED IN PIERCE TOWNSHIP...22-0606-003...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to accept the following Permanent Easements heretofore granted and conveyed to the County of Clermont, Ohio, for roadway purposes necessary for Project Number PI-17-17 relative to the Nordyke Road Bridge, C96-0.38 located within Pierce Township, and to authorize payment as compensation for the Permanent Easements and Right-of-Way granted thereby and repairs relative thereto:

Grantor	Parcel Number	Compensation
Elizabeth A. Crawford 3523 Nine Mile Rd. Cincinnati, Oh 45255	27-28-10D-040	Perm    \$ 300.00
Barbara Noll 3514 Nordyke Rd. Cincinnati, Oh 45255	27-28-10D-047	Perm    \$ 300.00 Repairs \$ 400.00 Total    \$ 700.00
Kimberly Ray Stubbe 3517 Nordyke Rd. Cincinnati, Oh 45255	27-28-10E-048	Perm    \$ Donated

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes;   Commissioner Corcoran, Yes;   Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**7. IN RE:     COUNTY ENGINEER...AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE CONTRACT FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT MINOR PROJECTS WITH NATIONAL GUNITE FOR THE GLEN ESTE WITHAMSVILLE ROAD CULVERT CC55-14 REHABILITATION IN UNION TOWNSHIP...21-0503-008...EXECUTED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, to authorize Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Contract for Public Improvement Minor Projects by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio,

and National Gunite, 111 Roosevelt Blvd., Johnstown, PA 15906, previously executed by the Board of County Commissioners on 05/19/2021 and subsequently amended on 12/29/2021, in the amount of \$58,825.00, for the Glen Este Withamsville Road Culvert CC55-14 Rehabilitation in Union Township, which represents an extension of the contract term from July 1, 2022 to July 31, 2022, with all other aspects of the Contract for Public Improvement Minor Projects to remain in full force and effect.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**8. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE CONTRACT FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT MINOR PROJECTS WITH NATIONAL GUNITE FOR THE BEECHWOOD ROAD CULVERT CC8-9 REHABILITATION IN UNION TOWNSHIP...21-0503-007...EXECUTED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, to authorize Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Contract for Public Improvement Minor Projects by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and National Gunite, 111 Roosevelt Blvd., Johnstown, PA 15906, previously executed by the County Administrator on 05/14/2021 and subsequently amended by the Board of County Commissioners on 12/29/2021, in the amount of \$28,867.00, for the Beechwood Road Culvert CC8-9 Rehabilitation in Union Township, which represents an extension of the contract term from July 1, 2022 to July 31, 2022, with all other aspects of the Contract for Public Improvement Minor Projects to remain in full force and effect.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**9. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ANNUAL TAX BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF CLERMONT, OHIO, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023...22-0527-001...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Mary K. Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to adopt and authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Annual Tax Budget for the County of Clermont, Ohio, for Calendar Year 2023, pursuant to and in compliance with Section 5705.28 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**10. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ASSOCIATION OF OHIO WORKERS' COMPENSATION GROUP RETROSPECTIVE RATING PLAN AGREEMENT FOR CLERMONT COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN CALENDAR YEAR 2023...22-0609-003...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Terri Brandenburg, Human Resources Assistant Director, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Clermont County's participation in the County Commissioner's Association of Ohio (CCAO) Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program (Policy Number 31300001) for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, and further to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the County Commissioners Association of Ohio Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Plan Agreement and U-153 Employer Statement for Group-Retrospective-Rating Program relative thereto, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**11. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...AMENDMENT NUMBER 1 TO THE ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF UNION TOWNSHIP, CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, UNITED PERFORMANCE METALS LLC, AND TBR SLICE LCC, FOR THE EXEMPTION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES OF THE ENTERPRISE ZONE IN THE COUNTY OF CLERMONT, OHIO...16-0613-001...EXECUTED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Michael McNamara, Director, Department of Community and Economic Development, with the concurrence of Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to execute Amendment Number 1 to the Enterprise Zone Agreement by and between the Board of Trustees of Union Township, Clermont County, Ohio, the Board of Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, United Performance Metals, LLC, an Ohio Corporation, with its main offices located at 1015 Seabrook Way, Cincinnati, Ohio 45245, and TBR Slice, LLC, an Ohio Limited Liability Company with its main offices located at 1015 Seabrook Way, Cincinnati, Ohio 45245, to amend the original Enterprise Zone Agreement to allow for United Performance Metals, LLC to assume the role of "EMPLOYER" from Slice of Stainless, Inc., which previously held the "EMPLOYER" role in the original Enterprise Zone Agreement, relative to the Enterprise Zone Agreement ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 06/29/2016, granting a fifty percent (50%) tax exemption for five (5) years on real property improvements made as part of the project as identified in the referenced Agreement, said exemptions commencing no later than Tax Year 2020 and not extending beyond Tax Year 2024, pursuant to Section 5709.61 through 5709.69 inclusive of the Ohio Revised Code and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein in consideration of the investment made by TBR Slice, LLC and Slice of Stainless, Inc., for the expansion and retention of economic development, as well as, the preservation and creation of employment opportunities within the designated boundaries of the Rural Jobs and Enterprise Zone in the County of Clermont, Ohio, and to direct the Clerk of the Board to forward the aforementioned Amendment by and between the Board of Trustees of Union Township, Clermont County, Ohio, the Board of Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio United Performance Metals, LLC and TBR Slice, LLC to the Ohio Department of Development, the Ohio Department of Taxation, and the Clermont County Auditor.

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Painter stated his understanding is that this is for the new owner to continue and it only has two years left. Scott Gafvert, Department of Community and Economic Development, stated that is correct.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**12. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF**

**AN ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS PROCUREMENT STRATEGY  
PROGRAM FOR CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO AND EXECUTION OF A  
CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATIVE  
THERE TO...22-0311-005...TABLED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to **accept the proposal** of **JMI Consultants, LLC.**, 5684 Main Street, Williamsville, NY 14221, for the development and implementation of an **electric and natural gas procurement strategy program** for Clermont County, Ohio, pursuant to the specifications therefore as the most advantageous proposal received on 04/14/2022, in the amount of \$8,500.00 and subsequent thereto to execute a **Contract for Professional Services** by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and **JMI Consultants, LLC.** for the development and implementation of an electric and natural gas procurement strategy program for Clermont County, Ohio, in accordance with Exhibit A, attached thereto and made apart thereof, in an amount not to exceed \$8,500.00, to be completed by 10/20/2022, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, **and contingent upon the release and receipt of the required Purchase Order in concert with Requisition Number 00003700-00 dated 06/16/2022 relative thereto.**

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Painter expressed that he would not be in favor of this agreement for several reasons. It has always been done this way and an exemption is provided in the State of Ohio for other entities to be able to provide these services. One of the services provided under the Procurement Contract of the State is that County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) can provide these services. Currently there are 73 Counties in the state of Ohio, including Hamilton County, Cuyahoga County and Franklin County who are signed up with services through CCAO. Commissioner Painter suggested the Board take a look at their options and mentioned that Clermont County has never been given a quote for services through CCAO because they have never entered into an agreement with them. Commissioner Batchler asked Mr. Bickford to discuss the cost of this option compared to the motion presented to the Board. Mr. Bickford gave a brief history of how the County has done this in the past and discussed the proposal process with JMI Consultants being the best option with a fee of \$8,500.00. A discussion took place on the average kilowatt hours per year Clermont County uses and what provider would be the lowest in cost. Mr. Bickford explained how the CCAO program works and if they were able to give a lower rate it would make sense to go with them, but they have never bid on this project in the past. Mr. Bickford explained that JMI Consultants offers a flat fee and CCAO requires a monthly payment of fees depending on usage. Mr. Bickford stated that our contract for electric is up in November so a decision needs to be made timely. Commissioner Batchler asked to bring this item back next week after time to review. Commissioner Corcoran didn't feel comfortable making a decision today due to external pressure she is receiving and asked to table the item. Commissioner Corcoran withdrew her motion to approve and Commissioner Batchler also withdrew her motion to approve.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CORCORAN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PAINTER TO TABLE ITEM #12 AT THIS TIME.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**13. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO APPROVE  
CHANGES TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION FOR  
CALENDAR YEAR 2022...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Mary K. Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to resolve to approve and authorize changes in the Annual Appropriation Resolution Number 187-21 for Calendar Year 2022 pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.40 as outlined in the following table and to authorize Linda



L. Fraley, County Auditor, to properly record same:

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022**

<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b>
<b>MUNI CT COMPUTERIZATION</b>	Muni Ct Computerization Fee REGULAR SALARY 2201 - 02 - 06 - 322000 - 511200 -	<b>\$ 1,745.00</b>

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes;   Commissioner Corcoran, Yes;   Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**IN RE:        BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDITION OF (1) ONE  
AGENDA ITEM TO THE REGULAR SESSION OF 06/29/2022...22-0103-  
016...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Greg Bickford, County Administrator, asked the Board to consider adding (1) one additional item to the agenda of the Regular Session of 06/29/2022 to include Change Order #2 to the Contract for Expansion/Renovation of Juvenile Court for Clermont County with Mark Spaulding Construction Company. Commissioner Batchler asked for a motion to approve the addition to the agenda for today’s Regular Session.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes;   Commissioner Painter, Yes;   Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**IN RE:        CLERMONT COUNTY FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT  
....CHANGE ORDER #2 TO CONTRACT FOR THE  
EXPANSION/RENOVATION OF JUVENILE COURT FOR CLERMONT  
COUNTY WITH MARK SPAULDING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY...21-  
1007-002...EXECUTED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Wade Grabowski, Director, Clermont County Facilities Management Department, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute **Change Order No. 2** to the **Contract** with **Mark Spaulding Construction Company**, 5785 Constitution Drive, Florence, KY, 41042, for construction of the Juvenile Court Expansion/Renovation project, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 01/26/2022, and subsequently amended on 03/09/2022, which represents a net increase in the amount of \$12,909.01 for the addition of time and materials needed for soil stabilization and undercutting, and a deduct for steel, for a total adjusted contract price in the amount of \$8,152,917.23, and an extension of the contract time of ten (10) work days, as more fully described therein, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth within the Contract for Juvenile Court Expansion/Renovation **and contingent upon the issuance and release of a Purchase Order therefore.**

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Corcoran asked how many change orders will be needed with Mark Spaulding Construction Company. Mr. Grabowski explained that this is Change Order No. 2 and they are currently in contractual negotiations for an additional seven more. Mr. Grabowski explained that a six and a half foot sinkhole was found and the lime stabilization material does not fill that far into the ground. Mr. Grabowski added that the Board has hired Geotechnology, who is an independent entity that makes all of the recommendations on site.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER BATCHLER STATED THAT THE BOARD HAD REACHED THE COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIAL DISCUSSION SECTION OF THE AGENDA. SHE INQUIRED IF THERE WAS ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. NO ONE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER BATCHLER OPENED THE MEETING FOR BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Commissioner Batchler shared that the Board had a nice trip to the Governor's Mansion yesterday for the signing of House Bill 377. Commissioner Painter explained that House Bill 377 will provide \$500 million worth of grant opportunities to the 32 Appalachian Counties in Ohio.

Commissioner Painter mentioned the transportation presentation this morning. Tom Arnold from District 8 was the speaker who talked about projects throughout this area including the Brent Spence Bridge Project. A completion date of 2029 has been set with shovels in the ground in 2024 and both Ohio and Kentucky Governors have committed to match funds for this project to happen.

Commissioner Batchler thinks Heather Frye and Joy Lytle with the Clermont County Chamber of Commerce do a fantastic job with putting events together and wanted to give a "shout out" to them.

Commissioner Corcoran introduced Rachel Stefinsky who is interested in her government and will be shadowing the Commissioner's Office. Ms. Stefinsky recently graduated from Goshen High School and will be attending the University of Cincinnati.

Commissioner Corcoran wished everyone a safe and happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday.

**IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran,

That the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 11:41 A.M. until the next regularly scheduled session to be held at a later date.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO**

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**BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT**

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**DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT**

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**CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER**

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**HOLLY ISAACS, CLERK OF THE BOARD**

07/07/2022  
**DATE APPROVED**